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The General Assembly,

Bearing in mind Article 13, paragraph 1 (a) of the Charter of the United Nations,

Recalling its resolution 2669 (XXV) of 8 December 1970, by which it recommended the International Law Commission to take up the study of the law of the non-navigational uses of international watercourses with a view to its progressive development and codification,

Recalling also that the International Law Commission submitted a final set of draft articles on the law of the non-navigational uses of international watercourses in chapter III of its report on the work of its forty-sixth session,[1]

Recalling further its resolutions 49/52 of 9 December 1994 and 51/206 of 17 December 1996, by which it decided that the Sixth Committee would convene as a working group of the whole, open to States Members of the United Nations or members of the specialized agencies, to elaborate a framework convention on the

[1] Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-ninth Session, Supplement No. 10 (A/49/10).

law of the non-navigational uses of international watercourses, and that on completion of its mandate the working group of the whole should report directly to the General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Sixth Committee convening as the Working Group of the Whole[2] and expressing its gratitude for the work done,

1. Expresses its deep appreciation to the International Law Commission for its valuable work on the law of the non-navigational uses of international watercourses and to the successive special rapporteurs for their contribution to that work;

2. Adopts the Convention on the Law of the Non-Navigational Uses of International Watercourses, contained in paragraph 10 of the report of the Working Group of the Whole,[3] and requests the Secretary-General as depositary to open it for signature;

3. Invites States and regional economic integration organizations to become parties to the Convention.

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[2] A/51/869.

[3] Ibid.